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2. MISUSE OF INCOMING PAD

 ENQUIRY ABOUT LATERAL WORKING WITH OTTAWA (1944)

From: NEW YORK

To:

MOSCOW

No.: 1339

20th September 1944

To VIKTOR[i].

Your No. 4361[ii] [3 groups unrecovered] observance of extremely strict rules [1 group unrecovered] security.

No. 755

MAJ[iii]

Pages 18 and 19 of the incoming pad were wrongly used by me. Repeat only that telegram which you enciphered by means of these pages: they have been destroyed.

Is OTTAWA working with us and by what method? A telegrem has arrived and we do not know how or by whom it was originated.

BORIS[iv]

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Footnotes: [i] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.

[ii] Not available.

[iii] MAJ:

i.e. "MAY"; Stephan Zakharovich APRESYAN, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

[iv] BORIS:

Aleksandr Pavlovich SAPRYKIN, cipher clerk at the Soviet Consulate in NEW YORK.

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